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I find it difficult to believe that the relatively sophisticated Oswald ever believed he could go to the AFL-CIO, entirely unskilled, and get a job that way. Assuming the Williams story to be essentially correct-and there is no obvious reason not to (if one may, at the same time, wonder why the FBI does not indicate why it sought Williams out0, and assuming Oswald knew better, what, if anything, does this strange business mean? And how did Oswald know the right address, from Texas?

For those of you not familiar with N.O., Carondelet is identical with Boutbon St in theQuarter. It is on the opposite side of Canal from the Quarter. This address is two blocks up (in N.O., down elsewhere) from Canal, and from a corner on which Oswald or "Oswald" was seen often. Carondelet is also but two short blocks from Camp, or two blocks from the old ITM.

If I do not know what purpose this may have served or been intended to serve, if any, I do know that Oswald had to have known he could not wander into the AFL-CIO beaurocracy (especially professing Marxism), and get a job.

CD405:11-14 If the real LHO ever sold a shoe in his life, I have seen no record of it. This, hwoever, seems to have been typical of his job-seeking (which really was extensive). He'd tell any kind of lie, the end result of which, inevitably, would usually have been the end of the employment, if he had gotten it. But he really applied and applied. This is not the only show store, either.

I believe the law requires serious search for a job to qualify for unemployment benefits. Anyway, these are the lyinest applications and they are all over that area(this is the same part of town, on the edge of the Quarter, vlose to Bringuier (and in fact within a block of the place he used to work. Mysterious. Perhpas his sense of humor. But if not, what had he in mind? And why, so early, did he fix on that area? He could probably have gotten a better-paying job easier in, say, a supermarket.